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WATSON AND SEWALL

The Maine Election May Settle One of Them.

DEMOCRATS AND POPULISTS WATCHING

Sewall's Contribution of \$10,000 to the Campaign Fund.

PROMISED A CABINET PLACE

It is asserted today, on especially good authority, that the result of the Maine election may decide very materially the fortunes of two of the vice presidential candidates. Watson and Sewall. It is said on the same authority that the populists are watching the election there with more interest than would appear to the casual political student.

The information is that if the silver democrats of Maine do not make some show of strength in the coming election it will be taken as an indication that Sewall's connection with the democratic ticket in no way adds to the vote-getting power of the ticket. The populists will seize upon this fact about as quickly as the republicans and they will hint very strongly to the democratic managers the advisability of getting Sewall to decline the democratic nomination and the putting up of Watson as the nominee.

Democrats Anxious.

It is said that the democrats have been in a stew of expectancy in the last few days that the populists were going to demand the declination of Sewall, but the populists have done nothing of the kind. They are waiting for convincing argument that Watson is a stronger man than Sewall. They are waiting on the Maine election, which comes off next month. The outlook is that Maine will go republican by an in-creased majority, and the populists won't shed any tears if this is the case. In fact, they are willing, almost, that Maine should be lost to teach the democrats an object lesson. They don't believe that Sewall stands in his own state for the financial reforms that the silverites there want. After forms that the silverites there want. After the election the populists will have some-thing to put before the democrats against Sewall. They will have something on which to go before the country. They will try hard to point out Sewall's weakness and the strength of Watson. They will try to whow where many prominent southern democrate have come out for Watson and democrats have come out for Watson, and that the general feeling against the Georgian throughout the country is based on a

mistaken idea of the man. May Walt for Georgia's Voice.

If their arguments do not succeed in convincing the democratic managers and Sewall himself, they will wait before taking decisive steps until after the state election in Georgia, in October. They believe that the populists will carry that state, which will be abundant proof of Watson's popularity in his own state. If they should succeed in carrying Georgia they will have managers that Watson be substituted for Sewall.

Many populists believe that it would be good politics for Sewall to come off the ticket now before the Maine election takes They think that if he remains there is an overwhelming defeat for the democrats the effect on the balance of the country will not be as good as it ought to be. If he comes off now, and the elec-tion goes against the democrats, the loss can be attributed to Sewall's withdrawal. Mr. Sewall's Contribution.

The talk about Mr. Sewall leads to another interesting fact. It is learned on splendid authority that just after the Chicago convention Mr. Sewall gave his check to Chairman Jones for \$10,000, and that this was the only contribution he has made to the campaign fund. It was a saving affair to the democratic national tee, however. On that contribution the committee has been able to run up to this time, when it is beginning to receive contributions from other sources.

For Secretary of the Navy. When the populists get ready to talk to the democrats about the matter of withdrawing Sewall, or having him to withdraw himself, they will urge the importance of having a good man as Secretary of the Navy. They will agree that Sewall would be just the man for that important place. They will agree to ask Mr. Bryan

to give him the place.

The conference which Senator Tillman had with Tom Watson a few days ago is said to have had more meaning than it has been given credit for. Senator Tillman, it is said, may not have been the official representative of any committee, but his talk with Watson is believed to have had the withdrawal of either Watson or Sewall in

WILL WASTE NO MONEY.

Silver Mine Owners as a Rule Will

Not Help Bryan's Campaign. "All these stories of large contributions to the democratic campaign fund by silver mine owners," said a prominent treasury official today, "are erroneous and are based on a misconception of where the interests of the mine owners lie. I have been in constant communication with the large mine owners of Colorado, Montana and Nevada since Bryan was nominated. These men are not fools enough not to realize that, while under free coinage they might get a little more for their silver tempo-tarily, they would be no better off in the end, because the depreciated value of the currency would deprive them of any but a temporary advantage. They are satisfied with the price now received for silver and know that its value cannot be increased by legislation. Some few mine owners. Stewart and Jones of Nevada, still cling to the idea that the stamp of the govern-ment will make 53 cents' worth of silver equal in value to a gold dollar, but the great bulk of the mine owners see the fallacy of such reasoning and will waste no

money on Bryan's campaign." PALMER AND LAWLER.

This Combination May Be Named by the Gold Democrats.

T. C. Kurtz, one of the delegates to the Indianapolis gold convention, arrived here today from New York. He has been traveling through the east for the past six weeks endeavoring to ascertain the sentiment of the gold democrats as to putting a third ticket in the field. Mr. Kurtz says that, in his opinion, if any ticket is named, it will be Senator Palmer and Dan W. Lawler of

Cannot Act as Distillers' Agents. Information having reached the bureau of internal revenue that Gauger W. D. Hileman of Scranton, Pa., has been signing for withdrawals for a certain firm of distillers, Acting Commissioner Wilson has instructed the collector of internal revenue for that district to notify Mr. Hileman and all other subordinates that the practice in question must be stopped. "Circular No. 456," says the acting commissioner, "should be construed as prohibiting in-"should be construed as prohibiting in-ternal revenue officers from acting as agents for distillers in any capacity."

Emphatic Denials From Secretary Carlisle's

He Tells How the Rumor of a Probable Sale of Securities Started.

Secretary Carlisle has returned from a visit to the President at Gray Gables, and was on duty at the Treasury Department as usual today. He adheres to his rule not to discuss politics or finance for publica-

The Secretary, however, through his son, Mr. Logan Carlisle, chief clerk of the Treasury Department, pronounced the rumors that were started in New York yesterday regarding a new bond call absolutely without foundation. The Secretary called at the subtreasury in New York vesterday with Mr. Robert Bacon, an agent of J. Pierpont Morgan & Co., and was closeted for some time with Mr. Muhleman, deputy assistant treasurer, who was in charge of the subtreasury in the absence of Mr. Jordan, assistant treasurer.

A Rumor Eastly Started.

That meeting was sufficient to start the rumon cultivators of New York, and before night the city was rife with reports of a new bond itsue, which was given some color of truth from the fact that the reserve in the treasury has fallen to about \$103,000,000, whereas but four weeks ago the bankers replenished the treasury with enough gold to make the reserve \$111,000,000. It is argued that if this reduction of the gold reserve keeps up until the election the reserve would be down to about \$80,000,000, and that there would be either a bond issue or temporary help would have to be given the treasury by the New York bankers. When this rumor was called to the attention of Mr. Logan Carlisle, who had teen in confererce with his father all the morning, he promptly replied:

Mr. Carlisle's Denial. "There is absolutely nothing in a rumor of another bond issue. The Secretary being in New York, went down town and happened to meet Mr. Bacon, an agent for Morgan & Co. He went to the subtreasury on a matter not connected with the

ury on a matter not connected with the Treasury Department at all. This meeting and this visit were at once caught on to by some of the New York newspaper men and interpreted to mean a bond issue. That's all there is in it. I do not propose to discuss a bond issue, because there is no likelihood of such an issue, and it is perfectly useless to talk about it."

Political Comment.

In political circles here no credence was given to the rumor of a bond issue. Senator Butler, chairman of the national committee of the populist party, said he did not look for such a thing before the

"A bond issue now," said Senator Butler to a Star reporter, "would be a confession on the part of the gold men that they are they want one or prevent one when they don't want it, but I don't expect they will force another

SAVED FROM HANGING.

The President Commutes a

Man's Death Sentence. The President has commuted to imprisonment for life the sentence of death imposed on Robert E. Boutwell of Texas, convicted of murder and sentenced to be hanged September 4. The President indersed the application for pardon as follows:

"I grant this commutation with much hesitation because it saves from the extreme penalty of the law the last of three persons who were engaged in a foul murder, and who with such commutation will all have escaped the extreme penalty of the law, which I believe they deserve. I have, however, yielded to the feeling that inasmuch as this convict's partners in the crime of which he was convicted have been saved from the death penalty, he ought not to suffer it alone. This seems also to be the opinion of the judge and district attorney who officiated on the

In the case of Hickman Freeman, convicted in Texas of murder and sentenced to be hanged September 4, the President lented the application for clemency in the ollowing words: "This prisoner was confollowing words: "Inis prisoner was con-victed of an atrocious murder. There is not the least doubt of his guilty partici-pation in the crime, even upon the state-ment made by him and on his behalf. The nstances of the case are so shocking and the guilt of the convict so clear that I can find no justification for executive inerference with the course of justice."

THE POPULIST CAMPAIGN.

Chairman Butler Gets His Mail and Has a Busy Time.

The silver party national committee is two or three days ahead of the populist national committee in getting their quarters arranged and in getting down to actual work. The silver men have been hard at work for several days getting their campaign arrangements in shape, while the populists did not get their headquarters in the same building fitted up and furniture put in until today. Chairman Butler and Secretary Edgerton expect to be ready Monday to give every attention to the populist part of the campaign. Senator Butler did not reach the headquarters until late today. It was said that the chairman was burdened with a mass of correspondence which had accumulated at the post office unknown to him, until he sent to inquire if there was any mail for him. He remained at his home during the morning nours, giving attention to this matter.

Secretary Edgerton said that he had received a letter from J. H. Edgerton, chairman of the populist committee of Nebraska, saying that there wasn't the least doubt about the fusionists carrying the state. He also said that he had enter-tained a caller this morning from Wyom-ing, who reported things all right in that

The populist officials read with some interest dispatches saying that National Committeeman Reed of Georgia had resigned the presidency of the First National Bank of Brunswick, Ga. One of these dispatches said that he had been forced to resign because of his populistic and silver views. He had been president of the bank

for a number of years.

By a recent decision of the War Department members of the hospital corps have been deprived of their full-dress uniform and they will no longer be part of the effective dress parades of the regular troops. It was found that no matter to what duty the soldiers were assigned, the hospital men always had hard work to do. They always appeared in their working clothes with emergency articles in pouch on side, litter strap on shoulder, ready for acci-dents and disasters, which were always oc-

curring, whether the troops were in the field, in camp or on dress parade. The al-

lowance which has been set aside by the army for this article of dress will be devoted to the acquirement of more white clothing for ward room work.

No Full Dress for Hospital Corps.

The Cruiser Brooklyn Goes to Boston for Her Trial Trip.

LIKELY TO TAKE PLACE WEDNESDAY

Will Earn a Bonus for Greater Speed Than Twenty Knots.

MAY BEAT THE NEW YORK

FHILADELPHIA, Pa., August 22.-Amid he shrill blasts of whistles from the river craft and hearty cheers from the spectators on shore the cruiser Brooklyn, sister slip of the New York, passed down the Delaware river this morning on her way to Boston harbor, where she will be given her trial trip early next week. The big vessel will reach the breakwater shortly after noon today, where an hour or so will be spent in adjusting her compasses. She will then point her nose for Boston herbor, reaching there tomorrow night or early Monday morning. If everything is favorable a preliminary run will be made over the official course Monday, and the official trial, under these conditions, will take place Wednesday. If, however, it is not deemed advisable to make the preliminary run without a day's rest the government test will not be made until Thurs-

The Brooklyn is guaranteed to make wenty krots, and for each quarter knot

twenty krots, and for each quarter knot over this speed the government will pay the builders a bonus of \$50,000.

The New York made 21.07 knots on her official trial, thereby earning a premium of \$200,000. It is believed that the Brooklyn will exceed the New York's time by at least half a knot, and it is predicted by some that she will make an average of twenty-two knots during her four hours' twenty-two knots during her four hours' un. During the trial the engines will be un-

der the personal supervision of Edwin S. Cramp, and Captain Sargent will look after the navigation of the ship. The members of the official trial board are: Commodore George Dewey, U. S. N., president; Captain H. F. Picking, Captain F. A. Cook, Commander Charles H. Davis, Naval Constructor J. F. Hanscom, Lieutenant Commander Edward P. Wood, Lieutenant Commander Seaton Schroeder, Lieu-

tenant Sidney A. Staunton, recorder; Ensign S. E. W. Kittelle, U. S. N., assistant, and Ensign Louis R. De Steiguer. In preparing this report and collecting data of the speed of the vessel during the trial, the board will be assisted by the following government inspectors: Naval Con-structor J. H. Linnard, U. S. N.; Assistant Engineer H. F. Webster, U. S. N.; Assistant ant Naval Constructor H. L. Ferguson, Lieutenant James G. Doyle. There will also be on board the ship these

invited guests: Commolore George W. Melville, U. S. N., engineer-in-chief of the bureau of steam engineering, Navy Department: Attorney General Judson Harmon Congressman H. C. Loudenslager, George Hires of New Jersey, Congressman Francis H. Wilson of New York, Captain H. D. Borup, U. S. A.; Captain Colby M. Chester U. S. N.; Colonel Francis Larkin, jr.; William Redwood Wright W H Doyle lector of internal revenue, Philadelphia; Thomas P. McKean, W. W. Gibbs, Commander N. Miyakoa, imperial Japanese navy; Captain Sakurai, imperial Japanese navy; Lieutenant Takakuro, imper Japanese navy, and Francis L. Cramp.

BISHOP SATTERLEE RETURNING. Li Hung Chang Sails From South-

ampton. SOUTHAMPTON, Eng., August 22.-The Hamburg American steamship Normannia, which sailed for New York vesterday from this port, took among her passengers the Rev. Henry Y. Satterlee, D. D., Episcopal bishop of Washington, D. C.

LONDON, August 22.-Li Hung Chang took a special train for Southampton today, where he embarked on board the American Line steamship St. Louis for New

NEW YORK, August 22.-On board the American Line steamship Paris, which arrived today from Southampton, were Mrs Samuel L. Clemens and Miss Clemens. Standard Oil tug Astral went alonside the Paris at quarantine and a number of Mrs intimate friends, among whom was Dr. Rice, boarded the Paris and broke the sad news to Mrs. Clemens of the death of her daughter yesterday.

Among the passengers of the Ward Line steamer Santiago, from Nassau, are R. G. Martin, A. Mora, F. Hillgris, S. Galviss, George Reno, H. S. Ferill, F. R. Roner and G. Fosberry, all of whom landed at Nassau from a small boat, and are said to d through the Spanish lines from the Cuban army.

LIVERPOOL, August 22.-The Cunard Line steamship Etruria, which sailed for New York today, had among her passengers Cisneros, the Venezuelan promoter, and Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes.

SUICIDE AT FAIRMOUNT PARK.

Ex-Commissioner Wills of Atlantic

City Shoots Himself. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., August 22.-Ex-Street Commissioner Lewis E. Wills of Atlantic City shot himself in the head today in Fairmount Park, dying half an hour later, while being taken to a hospital. He leaves a widow and two children. Wills disappeared from Atlantic City about a month ago, his disappearance being attributed to a shortage in his accounts several thousand dollars. An examination of his books showed that he was in the habit of charging 10 per cent more for street dirt sold than he would return to the

Wills was forty-eight years old, a member of Joe Hooker Post, G. A. R., and be longed to several secret orders.

FOURTEEN DROWNED.

Fishing Boat Run Down Italian Ship.

FALMOUTH, August 22.—The Italian ship Francesco Clampa, Capt. Maresca, 1,698 tons, which sailed from Swansea on August 19 for San Francisco, has returned and put in here with her bows badly damaged. She reports having been in collision with and having sunk the French fishing boat Mouette on August 20, forty-five miles north crew were saved, but fourteen were drown ed. The Francesco Clampa was built at Sestri, Italy, in 1890, and hails from Castela Mare. She is owned by F. S. Ciampa.

NO CONSOLIDATION.

Relations of Bell Telephone and Western Union Companies.

NEW YORK, August 22.-Russell Sage says there is not a word of truth in the impending consolidation between the Western Union Company and the American Bell Telephone Company. The Western Union Company owns a considerable amount of Bell telephone stock-in the millions-but no change in the relations of the corporations is considered necessary. The circulation of the rumor had caused an advance of 2 per cent in Western Union, and the official denial was followed by a recession

Local Democracy Aranging for a Monster Meeting

A Letter From the Candidate-He May Come Here Soom After the 20th of September.

Mr. John Boyle, chairman of the committee to invite W.J. Bryan to speak in Washington, has received a letter from the democratic candidate accepting the same. Mr. Bryan is unquestionably very busy, as the

letter is an autograph one written in pencil. It is as follows: "UPPER RED HOOK, N. Y., Thursday. Mr. John Boyle, Washington, D. C. "I will stop in Washington on my way from the south to New England. I cannot fix the date, but I hope it will not be long after the 20th of September. Will let you know as soon as the date fixed positively.

Thanking you for your encouraging words, am, Yours truly, W. J. BRYAN." "As Mr. Bryan is to come here," said Mr. Boyle to a Star reporter, "arrangements for our ratification meeting will be postponed until we hear further as to the date on which he can attend the meeting. We have everything ready for the ratification meeting, and all we have to do is to determine the date on which it is to be held. We have the refusal of Convention Hall, but it may be that Mr. Bryan will prefer speaking in the open air as he has at many places ir New York.

"In this event we can get the base ball grounds for that occasion, where 30,000 or grounds for that occasion, where 39,000 or 10,000 people will have an opportunity to see and hear Mr. Bryan. I have no doubt that at least 25,000 or 30,000 will attend the meeting, as we are daily getting word from clubs in Maryland and Virginia, whose members want to attend the ratification meeting and to greet Mr. Bryan. Before arrangements were made for the confore arrangements were made for the candidate to speak in Baltimore the demo-cratic clubs in that city wanted to come ever to our meeting, but now I suppose they will be satisfied by attending the meeting to be he'd there."

PYTHIANS AT CLEVELAND. Gone to Attend the National Encamp-

CLEVELAND, Ohlo, August 22.-Advance details of the Knights of Pythias army were arriving in this city all the morning to attend the national encampment of that body. The brigade quarters are now in good condition and ready for the reception of the various companies.

Already there is much discussion among the delegates concerning the use of the German ritual in Knights of Pythias lodges. As a result of an investigation recently conducted by Commissioner Howard Douglass, past supreme chancellor, a report will be submitted to the biennial convention of the Supreme Lodge showing that the decision of the Supreme Lodge forbidding the use of the German ritual has been systematically ignored and violated.

The three men against whom the charges were brought are German Past Chancellors Charles L. Loehr of Richmond, Va.; Henry Vellenvoss of Louisville, and Fred. Buchnan of Chicago. Inquiry among the local Pythians leads to the conclusion that the German element is prepared to go to any extreme rather than submit to the de-crees of the Supreme Lodge that their proceedings shall be conducted in English. The action of the Supreme Lodge on this question will be watched with interest The large bodies of the visiting Knights will not arrive until Monday, but in the meantime numerous offers and detached morrow the camp will begin to liven up a

REFUSD BY TORONTO BANKS. Stopping the Circulation of American

Money in Canada. TORONTO, Ont., August 22.-The banks in Toronto are daily becoming more suspicious of American money, and now not one of them will accept any form of American money at par to any great extent. Yesterday the Bank of Montreal, in Montreal, refused to take United States bills or silver from any one. The Toronto branch of that bank still receives small amounts from customers and charges one-half per

cent. The Merchans' Bank is also considering the advisability of refusing all United States money, but today received bills at a discount of one per cent. The Standard has for some time maintained a discount of 10 per cent. The Dominion now charges 2 per cent on national currency and 10 per cent on silver certificates. Other banks charge from one-half to one per cent. Only the Bank of Hamilton receives bills at par from customers in small amounts.

BELIEVED TO BE FOR CUBA.

Sale of the Swift Steamer Unique. DETROIT, Mich., August 22.-The sale of the swift steamer Unique, the negotiations for which have been under way for some time, are closed. The nominal purchaser is McGonagle of Chicago, who is said to represent other people. The purchase price is private, but is supposed to be about \$36,000. If she is intended for the Cuban cause, as is suspected, the Unique will be taken down the Welland canal and St. Lawrence river to the Atlantic. She is 123 feet long,) feet beam. She has developed a speed of over twenty miles an hour, but constant misfortune has befallen her in her machinery giving out. As a filibustering ves-sel the Unique can easily run away from anything in the Spanish navy.

WILL JOIN HOD CARRIERS. Strike in the Building Trades at Chicago.

CHICAGO, August 22.-After a long session, lasting from 8 o'clock in the evening until 1:30 o'clock this morning, the executive committee of the Building Trades Council finally decided to order out all other artisans now at work on buildings where the contractors attempt to replace the striking hod carriers with non-union laborers. As a result several thousand mechanics,

carpenters, iron workers, bricklayers and workers in kindred trades, will probably be ordered to strike. Peter McHugh of the Hod Carriers' Union said last night that over 1,500 hod carriers are already out.

Preparing for a Siege. LEADVILLE, Col., August 22.-The Cor.

onada mine, which was closed a month ago by the strike, has been inclosed by a high board fence, and provisions enough to supply a working force for months have been taken in. It is said that the mine is to be started with non-union miners next Monday, though the manager refuses to be in-

Death of Mrs. Selfridge.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 22.-Mrs. Thos O. Selfridge, sr., wife of Rear Admiral Selfridge of the United States navy, died in this city last night, Mrs. Selfridge came to California recently to visit her two sons, who reside in this city. She was eighty-six years old, and it is believed that the trip across the continent hastened her

NO BOND ISSUE LIKELY ANOTHER WARSHIP WHEN MR. BRYAN COMES MORE NEWS FOR HIM MAY TALK ON CORNERS HOKE SMITH'S PLANS

Mr. Bryan Soon to Be Told of Another Nomination.

BUT POPULISTS WON'T INFORM HIM

Reasons for This Secretiveness Are Coming to Light.

MAY BE SENATOR WATSON

Mr. Bryan is to be notified at Lincoln Neb., of his nomination by the silver party. They expect to have a great demonstration, and no embarrassment is felt about the matter. At the same time that the silver party nominated Mr. Bryan, and in the same place, he was nominated by the populist party. No arrangements have been made to notify him of the populist nomination. The chairman of the populist notification committee is Senator Allen of Mr Bryan's own state, who may be present at the Lincoln demonstration, but he is not expected to mention the fact that the populists have made a nomination. It is becoming doubtful whether Mr. Bryan will ever be formally informed of this fact.

No Bother About the Platform. The populist platform is not understood to be giving any trouble. If Mr. Watson were not on the ticket Mr. Bryan could be notified and could accept without embarrassment. The platform adopted at the populist convention was drawn with the nomination of Bryan especially in view, and it was fully understood to be acceptable to him before it was adopted, and it was equally well understood that he would stand on the platform before he was nominated. The question was asked directly by several persons in the convention before the voting began which ended in his nomina tion, and the assurance was given by Ne-

stand on the platform Mr. Bryan Was Content.

braska delegates, who were regarded as representing Bryan, that Mr. Bryan would

Senator Allen, who was conspicuously the champion of Bryan in the convention, engineered the construction of the platform and expressed himself as entirely satisfied with it as one on which Bryan could stand. In this is probably found the explanation of the patience and complacency of the populists in being deprived of the pleasure of officially claiming Bryan as their own. The opponents of Bryan in the convention declared that their chief concern was as to whether or not he would indorse this platform, and that they would be content if satisfied on that point

It is probable that they have received such assurances as they desire, and that they may not press the matter of notifica tion. Apparently there has been no progress'made toward settling matters Watson, but this does not seem in any way to interfere with the harmonious cooperation of the populist national com-mittee with the democratic national com-

mittee. The suggestion has been made, though not in any authoritative way, that Wat-son might finally land in the United States

NOT ELIGIBLE FOR RETIREMENT.

So Col. Crofton, 15th Infantry, Will Remain in the Army. In the ordinary course of events Col. R E. A. Crofton, commanding the 15th Regiment of Infantry, at Fort Sheridan, near Chicago, will remain on the active list of operation of law on account of age. There has been considerable friction at Fort Sheri dan for several yearst past, and it is said that the authorities have not been entirely satisfied with his administration of affairs. At any rate, he was recently ordered to examination by a retiring board to letermine if he was physically competent to discharge the duties of his office. The report of the board has just been received at the War Department. Its findings are contained in the words "Not recommended for retirement." This indicates that he is retirement." This indicates that he is physically sound and not eligible for retirement under the disability clause. case has attracted considerable attention in military circles, and his friends are very

COL. MORRISON'S PREDICAMENT.

jubilant at the result of the examination.

Why He May Not Make Speeches in His Own District. Ever since the Chicago convention it has been the announced intention of Col. William R. Morrison to support the democratic

nominees, and he still intends to do so. He classes himself with the old-fashioned democrats, whose duty, as he sees it, is to support the nominees of the party under almost all circumstances. But Col. Morrison is in a peculiar position in his old congres sional district in Illinois. He has received a number of invitations to speak in Illinois in support of the national and local nominees. He probably intends to make som speeches, but he may go slow in his own district. This is the district at present represented by Representative Murphy, republican. Two years ago Mr. Murphy defeated ex-Representative Jehu Baker for the republican nomination. Mr. Baker did not like this, and became a populist, after years of pronounced activity in republican ranks. Mr. Baker was one of Col. Mor-rison's old enemies, and was always a bit-ter republican. This year Representative Murphy was renominated. The democrat put up a man of their own, and the populists put up Mr. Baker. For some reason the democratic candidate pulled down, and the democrats indorsed Baker, that is, the silver democrats did. Old-fashio ocrats were left to support Baker or not just as they liked. Col. Morrison is one of these old-time democrats, and he is probably in a predicament. If he makes speeches for Bryan and Sewall in that dis-trict he will have to uphold 1 is old enemy and a man he believes to be still a reput

Money for the Silver Men. Chairman Stevens and National Organ

izer Keeney are away from silver head

quarters. Mr. Stevens is said to be in New York. He will return Tuesday. Financially it is said that the silver committee will be better fixed than the democratic national committee. It will have plenty of funds on which to run the cam tribute more freely to this committee than to any of the others.

Populist News From Idaho. Telegrams have been flying thick and fast between the various democratic, silver and populist leaders here and the lead-

ers of those parties in Idaho. Senator But-

ler was asked today if he had received any news from Idaho.

Attorney Thomas Renders an Opinion as to Street Meetings.

Single Taxers Are at Liberty to Dis cus Economics in Public if

They Behave.

After having considered the application of Dr. William Geddes, and others, dated May 28 last, for permission to hold public street meetings Sunday afternoons at places to be selected by the Commissioners, for the purpose of propagating the single tax theory, Attorney Thomas has rendered an opinion affirming their right to peaceably assemble and discuss single tax or any other subject, so long as they do not

abuse the right of free speech. Mr. Thomas says that the advocates of the single tax theory are free to do as they please at such meetings so long as they do not advocate the commission of unlawful acts, and provided they do not obstruct the free use of the streets or unreasonably in-terfere with the comfortable enjoyment of property. He says, however, that in his judgment the Commissioners have no jurisdiction, and can neither grant nor refuse a permit for such a purpose.

If the places selected by Dr. Geddes and

his associates for public meetings are such as not to incommode the public in the use of the streets or disturb the peace and quiet of the neighborhood, says the attorney, they have the right to hold their meet-The sole reason for this is the presence of lings, subject only to accountability in case Watson on the ticket with Mr. Bryan. speech, and in doing so violate existing law against disorderly conduct or unlaw-ful assemblages, the police may bring them before the Police Court for examination in the manner provided by law. Mr. Thomas then quotes the first amendment to the then quotes the first amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which provides, among other things, that Congress shall make no law abridging the freedom of speech or of the press.

He quotes also from Judge Cooley, who, in speaking of this constitutional provision, says: "The privilege which is thus protected against writingly legislating benefits."

tected against unfriendly legislation by Congress is almost universally regarded, not only as highly important, but as being essential to the very existence and perpetuity of every government. The people of the states have, therefore, guarded it with jealous care by provisions of similar import in their several constitutions." This matter has been hanging fire for some time. The opinion is dated June 5, but a copy has just been forwarded to Dr.

THE MONONGAHELA IS SAFE. She Arrives at Lynn Haven Bay With

the Naval Cadets. A telegram was received at the Navy Department this morning announcing the safe arrival of the training ship Monongahela at Lynn Haven Bay, near Cape Henry. A class of naval cadets is on board this vessel, and as she was several days overdue from Europe, symptoms of alarm began to manifest themselves on the part of their friends and relatives as to their whereabouts. As usual in such cases, the Navy Department was deluged with tel-Navy Department was deluged with telegrams of inquiry in regard to the vessel. Consequently, Admiral Ramsay, chief of the bureau of navigation, requests that the fact of her safe arrival be given the widest

MUST WAIT THIRTY DAYS.

Brooklyn Dry Dock Court of Inquiry Will Be Delayed. Acting Secretary McAdoo was today in formed by the officials of the Brooklyn navy yard that it will take at least thirty days to restore the calsson at the dry dock to its proper position. It is a very complicated and delicate structure and requires extremely careful treatment. When the order was given yesterday for the reconven-ing of the court of inquiry to make a further examination of the caisson in order to the army until 1898, when he retires by determine if possible the exact cause of the recent accident, it was supposed that the caisson would be restored to its place in about a week or ten days. Consequently there is some little disappointment at the later intelligence that the

put in place again in much less than

thirty days. The New Quartermaster General. Gen. Sawtelle, the new quartermaster general, will enter upon the discharge of his new duties in this city early next week. It will take him a few weeks to close up his affairs in New York city. where he has been stationed for several years past, and it will be necessary for him to return to New York in a few days for that purpose. It is not likely that Gen. Sawtelle will make any immediate changes in the stations and duties of of ficers of the quartermaster's department beyond what have been made necessary by his own promotion and transfer. It is said that Col. M. I. Ludington, who has been on duty at Chicago for two past, will be transferred to New York for duty on Gen. Ruger's staff, provided the change in station is entirely agreeable to him. Col. Ludington is the senior colonel in the department and he was a prominen candidate for the quartermaster general-ship. It is probable that he will yet at-

ment of Gen. Sawtelle two years hence. Personal Mention.

Judge Bowler, controller of the treasury, has gone to Bar Harbor to spend his vacation with his family. Lieut, A. C. Ducat, 24th Infantry, is visiting friends at 1105 H street, on leave of ab-

Capt. H. G. Cavanaugh, 13th Infantry, is in this city on leave of absence.

Mr. Ike Oettinger of West Washington has returned from Pen Mar, where he spent Mr. H. T. Hopkins, correspondent of the Richmond Star, returned this morning from Madison, Wis.

Mr. W. O. Ison of the United States treasurer's office leaves today for a three wee

serce.

Col. M. E. Urell of the War Department s spending his vacation among the moun tains of Pennsylvania visiting relatives. Engineer-in-Chief Melville of the navy

has gone to Philadelphia. At Republican Hendquarters.

At republican headquarters today Chairman Babcock was busy giving orders for fresh supplies of documents. He keeps in close touch with the national committee at Chicago and New York, and there is no duplication of printing. The Chicago head-quarters are getting out, it is said here, a large amount of literature in the German language. There are a number of leaflets about different phases of the situation, but the principal document being printed in German is the speech of Secretary Carlisle to the laboring men of Chicago. Senator Sherman's speech on the act of 1873 will be ready for circulation in a few days. The proof sheets of Bryan's tariff speech, which will be circulated by the dealers' licenses fell off \$173,216, and from manufactured tobacco, \$156,658.

To Examine Medical Corps Candidates A board of medical officers, consisting of Col. Dallas Bache, assistant surgeon general; Lieut. Col. William H. Forwood, deputy surgeon general; Lieut, Col. David L. Huntington, deputy surgeon general; Maj. "I got a telegram from there this morning," he said. "The populist and democratic committees are still in session. I think that everything will turn out all the fire was checked for the examination of candidates for appointment to the medical corps of the army.

M. Gandy, assistant surgeon, has been appointed to meet in this city September 23 was threatened, but the fire was checked with a loss of \$60,000. Seventy-five men are thrown out of work, and they lost all their tools.

thousands, have been received.

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His Resignation Has Been Accepted by the President.

PREPARATIONS MADE FOR DEPARTURE

He Will Probably Leave Office in

GOSSIP AS TO SUCCESSOR

September.

For some time rumors have appeared in print on the probability of the early resignation of Secretary Hoke Smith. There can now be no doubt but that he has resigned, and that his resignation has been

accepted. For some days past shipments have been made to Atlanta of his books and papers. and it is learned that he has declined to set any departmental business to be heard by him for a date later than this month. It can safely be assumed that a successor will be in charge in a very short while.

After the nomination of Bryan and Sewall t became known that Secretary Smith was the only member of the cabinet who an-



and that this action on his part, while not in any way affecting his personal relation between himself and the other members of the cabinet, seemed so material to him that he felt constrained to tender his resigna-

Will Say Nothing. The Secretary declines to discuss the sub-

ject in any way. Secretary Smith will probably retire either just before or immediately after the Indianapolis gold democratic convention. who are familiar with the relations which exist between Mr. Cleveland and his cabinet say that there never has at any time been the least friction between Sec-retary Smith and the President or between any members of the cabinet, and that the

personal relations between the President and Mr. Smith are still most cordial. Mr. Smith has enjoyed the respect and confidence of Mr. Cleveland at all times, and has been given the broadest latitude ever given any cabinet officer in the man-agement of the affairs of his department. It is known to all the cabinet and to such persons as are in the President's confidence in this matter that it is with sincere re-gret that he sees Mr. Smith separate offi-cially from the administration.

Embarrassments.

As has already been stated in The Star, the Secretary's sense of the fitness of things would not admit of his remaining in the cabinet after he found himself not in political accord with the President and the other members of the cabinet, and that he could not yield his opinions on account of his position or his personal friendship for

he President. When Mr. Smith said in the Georgia campaign against Crisp and free comage of silver that he would, and all democrats should, abide by the decision of the national convention in so far as to give hearty support to the ticket nominated, he. course, thought that he was defining the obligations of his opponents, for he fully expected to see a sound money ticket nomi nated, but he undoubtedly spoke in good faith, and it is not probable that he has ever considered the possibility of his doing otherwise than support the Bryan and Sew-

all ticket. No Other Alternative.

With Mr. Cleveland and the other members of the cabinet opposing that ticket, it would be impossible for a man of his delicacy and punctiliousness to remain in the cabinet.

In one of his speeches in Georgia Secretary Smith, in declaring that democrats must support the ticket when nominated, said that though the platform might not be satisfactory to one set of democrats or to the other in its declaration on the financial question, they would find in that platform other things which would render it on the whole more acceptable than the platform of any other party.

The Succession. Ever since the rumors of the probable resignation of Secretary Smith there has been more or less gossip concerning his probable successor, and at the Interior Department the name of John M. Reynolds, the second assistant secretary of the department, has been mentioned frequently for the place. Mr. Reynolds has made an xcellent executive officer.

He has had charge of the difficult work of review of pension decisions of the pen-sion bureau and has given general satisfaction. He is a native of Pennsylvania. The new cabinet officer will have only a little more than six months to serve, it is regarded as probable that Mr. Cleve-lard would prefer to fill the vacancy from the department rather than fill the by appointing some one who would be new to the work, which involves acquaintance with a great variety of matters affecting directly the public welfare.

July's Internal Revenue Receipts. The internal revenue statement for July shows the total receipts for that month to have been \$14,258,682, as compared with \$13,579,666 for July, 1895. The receipts for July, 1896, and the increases and decreases compared with July last year are given as follows: Spirits, \$7,751,456; increase, \$644,-698. Tobacco, \$2,458,443; decrease, \$163,232 Fermented liquors, \$3,890,347; increase, \$165,232, Fermented liquors, \$3,890,347; increase, \$222,561. Oleomargarine, \$128,250; decrease, \$27,697. Miscellaneous, \$30,183; increase, \$3,227. The principal increase for the month is from whisky, which shows a gain of \$820,132. The receipts from retail liquor dealers, licenses full of \$172,216, and from

Disastrous Fire at Lima, Ohio. CINCINNATI, Ohio, August 22.-The Times-Star special from Lima says: The coach department of the Cincinnati, Hamfilton and Dayton shops was burned today; also the freight car department building, also the freight car department building, with many freight cars, one baggage, one coach and one sleeper. The whole plant was threatened, but the fire was checked with a loss of \$60,000. Seventy-five men